# Supplementary Material for "Distributional Information Embedding: A Framework for Multi-bit Watermarking"

### A. Proof of Lemma 1

*Proof.* Let  $P_e = \Pr(\hat{M} \neq M)$ . From the Fano's inequality, we have

$$\mathsf{H}(M|\hat{M},\zeta_1^T) \leq \mathsf{H}(M|\hat{M}) \leq 1 + P_e \log m.$$

The entropy of M is upper bounded by

$$\begin{split} \log m &= \mathsf{H}(M) = \mathsf{H}(M|\zeta_1^T) = \mathsf{I}(M; \hat{M}|\zeta_1^T) + \mathsf{H}(M|\hat{M}, \zeta_1^T) \\ &\leq \mathsf{I}(M; X_1^T|\zeta_1^T) + 1 + P_e \log m \\ &\leq H(X_1^T|\zeta_1^T) + 1 + P_e \log m, \end{split}$$

which leads to

$$\frac{\log m}{T} \leq \frac{H(X_1^T | \zeta_1^T)}{T} + \frac{1}{T} + P_e \frac{\log m}{T}.$$

If  $P_e \to 0$  as  $T \to \infty$ , we have

$$\frac{\log m}{T} \leq \frac{H(X_1^T|\zeta_1^T)}{T} \leq \mathsf{H}(P_X) \leq \sup_{P_X: \mathsf{D}(P_X^T, Q_X^T) \leq d} \mathsf{H}(P_X).$$

## B. Proof of Lemma 2

*Proof.* For any  $i \neq j$ , define the relative entropy typical set

$$\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)}(\mathbb{P}_i\|\mathbb{P}_j) \coloneqq \bigg\{ (x_1^T,\zeta_1^T) : \bigg| \frac{1}{T} \log \frac{\mathbb{P}_i(x_1^T,\zeta_1^T)}{\mathbb{P}_j(x_1^T,\zeta_1^T)} - \mathsf{D}_{\mathsf{KL}}(P_{X,\zeta|M=i}\|P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) \bigg| \le \epsilon \bigg\}.$$

We have  $\mathbb{P}_j(\mathcal{B}_{T,j}^c) = 1 - \mathbb{P}_j(\mathcal{B}_{T,j})$  and

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}_{j}(\mathcal{B}_{T,j}) &= 1 - \sum_{i:i \neq j} \mathbb{P}_{j}(\mathcal{B}_{T,i}) \leq 1 - \sum_{i:i \neq j} \mathbb{P}_{j}(\mathcal{B}_{T,i} \cap \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)}) \\ &\leq 1 - \sum_{i:i \neq j} \sum_{(x_{1}^{T}, \zeta_{1}^{T}) \in \mathcal{B}_{T,i} \cap \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)}} \mathbb{P}_{i}(x_{1}^{T}, \zeta_{1}^{T}) \exp(-T(\mathbb{D}_{\mathsf{KL}}(P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) + \epsilon))) \\ &= 1 - \sum_{i:i \neq j} \exp(-T(\mathbb{D}_{\mathsf{KL}}(P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) + \epsilon)) \mathbb{P}_{i}(\mathcal{B}_{T,i} \cap \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)}) \\ &\leq 1 - \sum_{i:i \neq j} \exp(-T(\mathbb{D}_{\mathsf{KL}}(P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) + \epsilon))(1 - 2\epsilon) \\ &\leq 1 - m(1 - 2\epsilon) \exp(-T(\min_{i:i \neq j} \mathbb{D}_{\mathsf{KL}}(P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) + \epsilon)) \\ &\leq 1 - m(1 - 2\epsilon) \exp(-T(\max_{i:i \neq j} \mathbb{D}_{\mathsf{KL}}(P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) + \epsilon)) \end{split}$$

 $\leq 1 - m(1 - 2\epsilon) \exp \left(-T \left(\max_{P_X: \mathsf{D}(P_X^T, Q_X^T) \leq d} \min_{i:i \neq j} \mathsf{D}_{\mathsf{KL}} (P_{X,\zeta|M=i} \| P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) + \epsilon\right)\right)$  where (a) follows since  $\mathbb{P}_i(\mathcal{B}_{T,i}^{(T)} \cap \mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)}) = 1 - \mathbb{P}_i(\mathcal{B}_{T,i}^c \cup (\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)})^c) \geq 1 - \mathbb{P}_i(\mathcal{B}_{T,i}^c) - \mathbb{P}_i((\mathcal{A}_{\epsilon,i,j}^{(T)})^c) \geq 1 - 2\epsilon$  for sufficiently large T. The proof is thus complete.

# C. Proof of Theorem 3

Let  $\eta = T^{-\frac{1}{4}}$  and define the set  $\mathcal{A}_{\eta,j}^{(T)}$  of jointly typical sequences  $\{(x_1^T,\zeta_1^T)\}$  w.r.t. the distribution  $P_{X,\zeta|M=j}$  as

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A}_{\eta,j}^{(T)} \coloneqq \bigg\{ \big( \boldsymbol{x}_1^T, \boldsymbol{\zeta}_1^T \big) \in \mathcal{X}^T \times \mathcal{Z}^T : \bigg| -\frac{1}{T} \log P_X^T(\boldsymbol{x}_1^T) - \mathsf{H}(P_X) \bigg| \leq \eta, \bigg| -\frac{1}{T} \log P_\zeta^T(\boldsymbol{\zeta}_1^T) - \mathsf{H}(P_\zeta) \bigg| \leq \eta, \\ \bigg| -\frac{1}{T} \log P_{X,\zeta|M=j}^T(\boldsymbol{x}_1^T, \boldsymbol{\zeta}_1^T) - \mathsf{H}(P_{X,\zeta|M=j}) \bigg| \leq \eta \bigg\}. \end{split}$$

First, we bound the probability of the atypical sets  $(\mathcal{A}_{\eta,X}^{(T)})^c$ ,  $(\mathcal{A}_{\eta,\eta}^{(T)})^c$ ,  $(\mathcal{A}_{\eta,j}^{(T)})^c$ . From the union bound, we have

$$\mathbb{P}_{j}((X_{1}^{T},\zeta_{1}^{T}) \notin \mathcal{A}_{\eta,j}^{(T)}) \leq \mathbb{P}_{j}\left(\left|-\frac{1}{T}\log P_{X}^{T}(x_{1}^{T}) - \mathsf{H}(P_{X})\right| \geq \eta\right) + \mathbb{P}_{j}\left(\left|-\frac{1}{T}\log P_{\zeta}^{T}(\zeta_{1}^{T}) - \mathsf{H}(P_{\zeta})\right| \geq \eta\right) + \mathbb{P}_{j}\left(\left|-\frac{1}{T}\log P_{X,\zeta|M=j}^{T}(x_{1}^{T},\zeta_{1}^{T}) - \mathsf{H}(P_{X,\zeta|M=j})\right| \geq \eta\right).$$

Then, by the Chernoff bound, we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}_j \bigg( \bigg| -\frac{1}{T} \log P_X^T(x_1^T) - \mathsf{H}(P_X) \bigg| &\geq \eta \bigg) \leq 2 \mathbb{P}_j \bigg( -\frac{1}{T} \log P_X^T(x_1^T) - \mathsf{H}(P_X) \geq \eta \bigg) \\ &\leq 2 \exp \bigg( -\sup_{s \geq 0} (s \eta - \log \mathbb{E}[\exp(-s \log P_{X_1^T}(X_1^T))]) \bigg) \\ &\stackrel{\text{(a)}}{\approx} 2 \exp \bigg( -\sup_{s \geq 0} (s \eta - \big( -s \mathbb{E}[\log P_{X_1^T}(X_1^T)] + s^2 \mathbb{E}[(\log P_{X_1^T}(X_1^T))^2] \big) \bigg) \\ &\stackrel{\text{(b)}}{=} 2 \exp(-\Omega(\eta^2)) = \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})), \end{split}$$

where (a) follows from the Taylor expansion of  $\exp(\cdot)$  and  $\log(\cdot)$  and (b) follows since the maximum is achieved by  $s = O(\eta)$ . The rest of the terms in the union bound can be similarly proved.

Thus, the probability of the atypical set is upper bounded by

$$\mathbb{P}_{j}((X_{1}^{T}, \zeta_{1}^{T}) \notin \mathcal{A}_{n,j}^{(T)}) \leq 3 \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) = \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})).$$

 $\mathbb{P}_j((X_1^T,\zeta_1^T)\notin\mathcal{A}_{\eta,j}^{(T)})\leq 3\exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}}))=\exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})).$  Let  $P_X^*=Q_X,\,\mathcal{Z}\subset\mathbb{Z}$  and design  $P_\zeta^*\in\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{Z})$  such that  $\mathsf{H}(P_\zeta^*)=\mathsf{H}(P_X^*).$ 

For any  $\gamma^* \in \Gamma^*$ , any  $j \in [m]$ , the j-th error probability is given by

$$\begin{split} \beta_j(\gamma^*, P^*_{X_1^T, \zeta_1^T | M = j}) &= \sum_{x_1^T, \zeta_1^T} P^*_{X_1^T, \zeta_1^T | M}(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T | j) \mathbbm{1}\{\gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq j\} \\ &\leq \sum_{(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \in \mathcal{A}_{\eta, j}^{(T)}} P^*_{X_1^T, \zeta_1^T | M}(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T | j) \mathbbm{1}\{\gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq j\} + \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) \\ &= \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) \to 0 \text{ as } T \to \infty. \end{split}$$

For j=0, the worst-case false alarm error probability is upper bounded as follows. For any  $x_1^T \in \mathcal{X}^T$ ,

$$\begin{split} \sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta}^*(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1} \{ \gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq 0 \} &\leq \sum_{\zeta_1^T \in \mathcal{A}_{n,\zeta}^{(T)}} P_{\zeta}^*(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1} \{ \gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq 0 \} + \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) \\ & \doteq \sum_{i \in [m]} \sum_{\zeta_1^T \in \mathcal{A}_{n,\zeta}^{(T)}} e^{-T\mathsf{H}(\zeta)} \mathbb{1} \{ \gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) = i \} + \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) \\ &= m e^{-T\mathsf{H}(\zeta)} + \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) \\ &= \alpha + \exp(-\Omega(T^{-\frac{1}{2}})) \end{split}$$

Since any distribution  $Q_X^T$  can be written as a linear combinations of  $\delta_{x_1^T}$ , we have

$$\sup_{Q_X} \beta_0(\gamma^*, Q_X \otimes P_{\zeta}^*) = \sup_{Q_X} \sum_{x_1^T, \zeta_1^T} Q_X^T(x_1^T) P_{\zeta}^*(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1}\{\gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq 0\} \leq \alpha$$

#### D. Proof of Theorem 4

First, we have

$$\beta_j(\gamma,P_{X_1^T,\zeta_1^T|M=j}) = \sum_{i:i\neq j} \mathbb{P}_j(\gamma(X_1^T,\zeta_1^T)=i).$$
 For any  $i\neq j$ , the optimization constraints imply that for any  $y_1^T\in\mathcal{X}^T$ ,

$$\alpha \geq \sup_{P_{X_1^T,\zeta_1^T|M=i}} \beta_i(\gamma,P_{X_1^T,\zeta_1^T|M=i}) \geq \sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta_1^T}(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1}\{\gamma(y_1^T,\zeta_1^T) \neq i\}.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}_{j}(\gamma(X_{1}^{T},\zeta_{1}^{T}) \neq i) &= \sum_{x_{1}^{T},\zeta_{1}^{T}} P_{\zeta_{1}^{T}}(\zeta_{1}^{T}) P_{X_{1}^{T}|\zeta_{1}^{T},M=j}(x_{1}^{T}|\zeta_{1}^{T},M=j) \mathbb{1}\{\gamma(x_{1}^{T},\zeta_{1}^{T}) \neq i\} \\ &\overset{(a)}{\leq} \sum_{x_{1}^{T}} (P_{X_{1}^{T}}(x_{1}^{T}) \wedge \alpha), \end{split}$$

where (a) follows since  $\sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta_1^T}(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1}\{\gamma(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq i\} \leq \alpha$  and  $\sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta_1^T}(\zeta_1^T) P_{X_1^T|\zeta_1^T, M = j}(x_1^T|\zeta_1^T, M = j) \mathbb{1}\{\gamma(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq i\} \leq \sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta_1^T}(\zeta_1^T) P_{X_1^T|\zeta_1^T, M = j}(x_1^T|\zeta_1^T, M = j) = P_{X_1^T}(x_1^T)$  for all  $x_1^T$ .

Consequently,

$$\begin{split} \beta_j(\gamma, P_{X_1^T, \zeta_1^T | M = j}) &= \sum_{i: i \neq j} \mathbb{P}_j(\gamma(X_1^T, \zeta_1^T) = i) \geq \sum_{i: i \neq j} (1 - \sum_{x_1^T} (P_{X_1^T}(x_1^T) \wedge \alpha)) = m \sum_{x_1^T} (P_{X_1^T}(x_1^T) - \alpha)_+ \\ &\geq \min_{P_{X_1^T}: \mathsf{D}(P_{X_1^T}, Q_{X_1^T}) \leq d} m \sum_{x_1^T} (P_{X_1^T}(x_1^T) - \alpha)_+, \end{split}$$

where  $m,\alpha$  should satisfy  $m\sum_{x_1^T}(P_{X_1^T}(x_1^T)-\alpha)_+\leq 1$  and the lower bound holds for all  $\gamma$  and  $P_{X_1^T,\zeta_1^T|M}$ . Additionally, the analyses still hold when  $P_{\zeta_1^T|M=j}$  are not the same for all j.

## E. Proof of Theorem 5

Choose  $\mathcal{Z} \subset \mathbb{Z}^T$  such that  $|\mathcal{Z}|^T = m|\mathcal{X}|^T + 1$ . Randomly pick a sequence  $\tilde{\zeta_1^T} \in \mathcal{Z}^T$  and partition  $\mathcal{Z}^T \setminus \{\tilde{\zeta_1^T}\}$  into m disjoint subsets  $\{\mathcal{S}_j\}_{j=1}^m$  of equal size. Define a set of decoders as

$$\Gamma_{\zeta_1^T} := \begin{cases} \gamma & \text{if } \zeta_1^T \neq \tilde{\zeta}_1^T \\ \gamma(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) = \begin{cases} j, & \text{if } \zeta_1^T \neq \tilde{\zeta}_1^T \\ \text{and } x_1^T = h_j(\zeta_1^T), \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$
For any  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{\zeta_1^T}$ , under the watermarking scheme presented in Theorem 5, we have:
$$-\text{ For any } j \in [m], \text{ the } j\text{-th error probability is give by}$$

$$\beta_i(\gamma, P_{Y,T, T, Y, Y, Y}) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}_i(\gamma(X_j^T, \zeta_j^T) = j)$$

$$\begin{split} \beta_j(\gamma, P_{X_1^T, \zeta_1^T | M = j}) &= \sum_{i \in [0:m] \backslash j} \mathbb{P}_j(\gamma(X_1^T, \zeta_1^T) = i) \\ &= m \min_{P_{X_1^T}: \mathsf{D}(P_{X_1^T}, Q_{X_1^T}) \leq d} \sum_{r^T} (P_{X_1^T}(x_1^T) - \alpha)_+. \end{split}$$

– False alarm error: for any  $x_1^T \in \mathcal{X}^T$ ,

$$\begin{split} \sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta}(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1} \{ \gamma(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) \neq 0 \} &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\zeta_1^T} P_{\zeta}(\zeta_1^T) \mathbb{1} \{ \gamma^*(x_1^T, \zeta_1^T) = i \} \\ &= (P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T) - m(P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T) - \alpha)_+) + (m-1)(P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T) - \alpha)_+ \\ &= P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T) - (P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T) - \alpha)_+ \\ &= P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T) \wedge \alpha \leq \alpha. \end{split}$$

 $=P_{X_1^T}^*(x_1^T)\wedge\alpha\leq\alpha.$  Since any distribution  $Q_{X_1^T}$  can be represented by a linear combination of  $\delta_{x_1^T}$ , the worst-case false alarm error is upper bounded by

$$\sup_{Q_{X_1^T}} \beta_0(\gamma, P_{X_1^T, \zeta_1^T | M = j}) \le \alpha.$$